House Resolution 1640

By: Representative Benton of the 31st

A RESOLUTION

1 Commemorating and recognizing the career in education of Anderson S. Byers; and for other

2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, upon graduating from the University of Georgia in 1966 with a degree in

4 geography with a social studies teaching endorsement, Mr. Byers began his career as an

5 educator at North Hall High School in 1966 and taught at North Hall until he was drafted into

6 the United States Army in 1968; and

7 WHEREAS, upon being drafted, Mr. Byers served in the infantry where he attained the rank

8 of Staff Sergeant and later served as platoon sergeant with the 9th Infantry Division in

9 Vietnam; and

10 WHEREAS, while serving in Vietnam, Mr. Byers was wounded by hostile fire in July of

11 1969 and spent the next 18 weeks recovering in hospitals in Saigon, Okinawa, and Fort

12 Gordon, Georgia; and

13 WHEREAS, during his military service, Mr. Byers won the Combat Infantry Badge, National

14 Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, Bronze Star, and Purple Heart; and

15 WHEREAS, after recovering from his wounds, Mr. Byers continued his own education by

16 receiving a Master of Education and Education Specialist degrees from the University of

17 Georgia both while contributing to the education of the children of Jackson County; and

18 WHEREAS, Mr. Byers has had a career in education that has spanned five decades, more

19 than 35 years which have taken place in Jackson County, Georgia, and has dedicated his life

20 to the education of children.

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that

2 the members of this body commemorate the career of Mr. Anderson S. Byers and his pending

3 retirement on June 1, 2006, from the Jackson County School System.

4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized

5 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mr. Anderson S. Byers.